# Fremont's Next Steps to Tackling Homelessness

Two Locations for Temporary Housing Navigation Center Being Evaluated

Homelessness is a growing societal issue for Fremont and a regional concern for the Bay Area and beyond. The City Council has held four special study/work sessions (April 17 and July 17, 2018 and June 18 and July 9, 2019) for staff to present information on homelessness in Fremont and for the Council to give direction. Since 2018, City staff has coordinated several resources and developed creative solutions to assist those who are unsheltered in Fremont.

#### **Housing Navigation Center**

At the July 9 Council Work Session, 11 potential City-owned and privatelyowned sites were analyzed for locating a temporary housing navigation center in Fremont. The sites were based on Council-approved criteria from a June 18 Council Work Session. The two sites selected for further evaluation and cost analysis are the parking lot at Fremont City Hall (rear area) and the Decoto surplus property (unleased property next to Regan Nursery), both of which are within one-half mile of food and bus services, utilities connection points are available, and they're located outside of a fault trace zone not subject to the hazard of surface fault ruptures.

The temporary navigation center will provide 45 beds and up to 6 months of housing to homeless adults while they are supported and focused on finding stable, permanent housing. Bay Area Community Services (BACS) will operate the navigation center and provide 24/7 staffing and supportive services to the residents of the program. The navigation center is in response to the growing

homeless crisis in the Bay Area. The 2019 Point-in-Time Count indicated Fremont's homeless population grew by 27% over the past two years, rising from 479 homeless individuals to 608.

Throughout the summer, City staff will conduct outreach to obtain community input and comments on the two potential sites selected. At a City Council Meeting in September (date to be determined), staff will return with completed analysis and community feedback to present to the Council. It is anticipated that the Council would then select a final site to locate a temporary homeless navigation center and City staff would proceed with procurement of contracts to implement the center.

For more information visit www.Fremont.gov/Homeless.



Fremont Boulevard Project



National Night Out



**Age-Friendly Center** 



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I am pleased to share that the Fremont City Council adopted the City's proposed operating budget for the 2019/20 fiscal year, which runs July 1 through June 30, and will support \$219.9 million of budgeted expenditures. This sustainable budget positions Fremont in good financial condition and addresses top community priorities. We will continue to see a modest increase in the City's General Fund net resources.

The City is committed to strategic, forward-looking planning, which will include funding for 11 new positions that will provide service level enhancements to residents, including police and fire protection, streets and facilities maintenance, and the 50-50 street tree and sidewalk repair program. Another four positions will address increasing information security and technology infrastructure support needs. While we are an efficient organization, Fremont's current staffing numbers are well below most Bay Area cities, equating to 4.1 employees per 1,000 residents. These new positions, plus three additional fee-based positions in engineering and community services will allow us to better serve our community.

The budget also adds to City reserves, for a total of \$45 million, to weather any future revenue shortfalls that may accompany a slowdown in economic growth or changes in our cost structure.

We understand that homelessness is a growing concern for the Fremont community and the broader Bay Area. Traditionally, addressing homelessness isn't a City function; however, our organization is making strides to do our part.

The City has taken several steps toward reducing the impact of homelessness, including the formation of a Mobile Evaluation Team, a partnership between Fremont Police and Human Services departments and Washington Hospital Healthcare System responding to mental health crisis situations. We've also expanded Fremont's Warming Center to a full-service Winter Shelter that was open 117 consecutive nights this winter, not just during inclement weather. Furthermore, Fremont secured \$25 million in local funding for affordable housing projects and is collaborating with the City of Newark this summer to launch a mobile hygiene unit that offers showers and laundry services.

Additionally, the City Council is moving forward with the exploration of potential sites to build a temporary Housing Navigation Center in Fremont. This facility would provide a clean, safe, calm, and flexible environment that allows homeless adults to stay for six months or less. These centers function differently from a homeless shelter in that they provide intensive support and services necessary to allow participants to focus on finding stable, permanent housing. At this time, I want to assure the community that no particular location has been selected for the Housing Navigation Center. City staff will return to the Council in September after community outreach wraps up.

As we launch into this upcoming fiscal year, the City is committed to providing services, programs, and maintaining facilities that meet the current and future needs of our community while remaining fiscally responsible.



#### **Help us Celebrate** FRC's 20th Anniversary!

This year marks the Fremont Family Resource Center's (FRC) 20th anniversary! The FRC will be hosting a benefit concert and dinner, With a Little Help From My Friends, featuring The Sun Kings, California's Premiere Beatles Tribute Band. Join us September 13 at 6 p.m. at Campo Di Bocce of Fremont.

Founded in 1999, the Fremont Family Resource Center innovatively combines the best efforts of 24+ State, County, City and nonprofit social service organizations working to build a vibrant Tri-Cities community with strong, healthy families and children. Proceeds will benefit the FRC and its programs.

To purchase tickets visit www. Fremont.gov/FRC20. For event questions email FRCevent913@ gmail.com or call 510-818-9888; for sponsorship opportunities contact Paula Manczuk-Hannay at PManczuk-Hannay@fremont.gov or 510-574-2049.

#### The City Council meets the first, second, and third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 3300 Capitol Ave.

Meetings are broadcast over Cable TV Channel 27 or webcast online at Fremont.gov/Webcasts.

Sign up for our news at Fremont.gov/eNews

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#### **City Social Media**

Follow the City and many of its departments on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, Nextdoor, and Nixle-we will keep you posted on everything from community events. new business openings, traffic updates, friendly tips, and other City-related information that may help you and your family. www.Fremont.gov/SocialMedia

# Our **Streets**

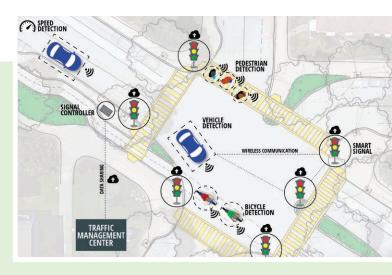
### Fremont Boulevard

## Safe and Smart **Corridor Project**

The City of Fremont is working to employ cutting-edge technology along Fremont Boulevard between Paseo Padre Parkway and Cushing Parkway that will alleviate congestion and improve safety for all modes of travelers.

A major component of the Fremont Boulevard Safe and Smart Corridor Project is traffic signal modernization, identified by the community as a top priority in the City's newly adopted Mobility Action Plan. Other innovations that will help streamline traffic flow and enhance safety for pedestrians, bicycles, and drivers include smart sensors to ensure adequate crossing times at intersections and signal priority for transit and emergency vehicles.

The Fremont Boulevard Safe and Smart Corridor Project will help position Fremont as a leading and innovative Silicon Valley



city. In addition, the project supports the City's Vision Zero initiative to eliminate traffic fatalities, as well as the Climate Action Plan's sustainability goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Construction is anticipated to begin early next year.

Funding for the work is granted from Measure BB, approved by Alameda County voters in 2014 and administered by the Alameda County Transportation Commission.

To learn more about the project and how to get involved, visit www.fremontsmartcorridor.org.

#### Fremont Repairing 12 Roadways in Summer 2019

This summer, the City of Fremont will begin pavement repair work to improve a total of 4 miles of roadway in poor condition. The project will resurface 12 street segments that have been impacted by regular wear and tear. Mainly funded by a federal grant and Senate Bill 1 (SB1) funds, the work will include repairing damaged pavement and sidewalks, overlaying asphalt, installing enhanced bicycle lanes, and upgrading curb ramps to ADA requirements.

In addition, Fremont has developed a three-year construction plan for repairing roadways on State Route 84 (Thornton Avenue, Peralta Boulevard, and Mowry Avenue) that have previously been under the control of Caltrans. City staff is working with Caltrans to relinquish Route 84 maintenance to the City and seeking funding. Overall, the City's street conditions have been improving and are currently at a Pavement Condition Index (PCI) rating of 73 out of 100.

Visit www.Fremont.gov/PavementMaintenance to view the full list of pavement projects.

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# Summertime Fun

## Help Us Make 2019 the

# **Biggest National Night Out Event** in Fremont's History!

Start organizing your neighborhood to participate in this year's National Night Out on **Tuesday, August 6** from **7 p.m. to 9 p.m.** Join Fremont Police staff along with community organizations, neighborhood groups, and City leaders in celebrating the 36th Annual National Night Out.

In years past, neighborhoods have participated in National Night Out by organizing a social gathering such as a block party, barbecue, or ice cream social where neighbors can share good food, laughter, and updates on neighborhood happenings.

National Night Out provides the opportunity for neighbors to get to know each other better and sends a strong message to criminals that our community will look out for each other by reporting suspicious activity in their neighborhoods. Throughout the night, City staff will make visits to the registered parties where they will

share information, network, and answer

share information, network, and answer questions that community members may have.

If you have questions about National Night Out in Fremont, please call the Fremont Police Department's Community Engagement Unit at 510-790-6740.



# Fremont's Festival of the Arts

The Fremont Festival of the Arts is back to celebrate 36 years of fun in the sun! Join the Fremont Chamber of Commerce on **August 3 and 4 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.** to enjoy California's premiere art, wine, and music festival in Downtown Fremont. The City of Fremont also invites residents to stop by the City's booth to meet our staff and learn more about City programs and services. For more details on this year's festival, please visit www.FremontFestival.net.

#### **Festival of India**

### Continues for the 27th Year

This summer, the Festival of India Mela and Parade will return for its 27th year of connecting communities and celebrating Fremont's rich diversity. Immerse yourself in Indian culture by enjoying a food festival, rides, games, various performances, a dance competition, wellness fair, and grand parade. This family friendly event will be held on August 17 (mela: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) and 18th (parade: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and mela: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.) in Downtown Fremont at 39439 Paseo Padre Pkwy. Learn more by visiting <a href="https://www.fogsv.org">www.fogsv.org</a>.



## **Summer Camps**



This summer, the Recreation Services Division will be coordinating and hosting hundreds of camps with a variety of activities and locations. Covering topics ranging from arts to sports and cooking, we've surely got something to keep your little ones busy during their time off.

> Camps run through August 27 with full-day,

half-day, and extended care options. Plan your child's summer with the Camp Planner & Central Park Grid. Learn more at www.Fremont.gov/Camps or call 510-494-4300.



### Fun in the Sun at Aqua **Adventure Waterpark!**

When the temperature heats up, turn to Aqua Adventure Waterpark for some fun in the sun! Splash around at Fremont's family-friendly waterpark, which offers attractions including 40-foot waterslides, a 700-foot lazy river, the Bucket Bay Play Area, and more! The waterpark is open daily until August 25 and weekends in September. Aqua Adventure is the place to be, offering camps, swim lessons, birthday packages, and group events. Learn more at https://GoAquaAdventure.com.



#### **Movie under the Stars!**

Head over to Central Park's Performance Pavilion just after sunset on August 16 to enjoy Summer Movies in the Park! The City of Fremont Recreation Services Division will be playing Dumbo on August 16. Admission is free, so grab some blankets, low beach chairs, and a picnic dinner to enjoy a great flick with your family this summer! For more details, visit www.Fremont.gov/MovieNight.

#### **Niles Canyon Stroll & Roll**

Mark your calendar for the Niles Canyon Stroll & Roll on Sunday, September 22 from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., a rare event where Highway 84 (Niles Canyon Road) is closed to vehicular traffic. This is an opportunity for people to bike and walk safely through the canyon with their friends and family.

- From 7 a.m. 8 a.m. the road will be closed to all vehicles, and will be open only to cyclists.
- From 8 a.m. 2 p.m. the road will be open to all pedestrians and bicyclists to "stroll & roll" through.

For more information visit www.84strollroll.com.





























# Our Community

## New Age-Friendly Center in Warm Springs to Open Fall 2021

To help fulfill Fremont's commitment to better serve residents aged 55 and older, the City and The Mission Peak Company began construction on an 11,000-square-foot Age-Friendly Center in the Fremont Warm Springs District in June. It will house a large indoor/outdoor dining area along with several meeting and activity rooms to build a more inclusive community space.

Expected to open by Fall 2021, the new center will be part of the new age-restricted master-planned community, Mission Falls, which features a diversity of housing types at different affordability levels including the recently opened Pauline Weaver Senior Apartments.



Joining the Fremont Senior Center at Lake Elizabeth, this is the second building in Fremont dedicated to services for older adults. It will provide a variety of activities to keep community members 55 years and older active and healthy such as exercise classes, informational events, social services, cultural celebrations, free health screenings, and affordable meals.

Since Fremont entered the World Health Organization (WHO)/AARP Age-Friendly Network in 2017, our City has been actively exploring how we can make positive changes in our policies, priorities, and resources to ensure Fremont is a great place to grow up and grow old.



## Census 2020 in Alameda County

The U.S. Constitution mandates that every ten years we take a census count of America's population to get an accurate total that includes every adult,

child, and infant in a household. The data from this count are used for two very important reasons: to determine political representation and to distribute federal funding.

Alameda County receives \$76 billion from the federal government for essential services—healthcare, school programs, housing, transportation, social services, and more—based solely on the Census count. For every person not counted, our entire community loses approximately \$2,000 in funding per year for ten years which results in fewer resources for more people. For example, if we undercount by just 3%, our community loses one billion dollars.

The Census 2020 presents some unique challenges that have not been faced in census counts before, such as the first-ever digital questionnaire, rising distrust in government, fear about a proposed citizenship question, and skepticism about data security. Counting everyone will be harder than ever before; therefore, the ability for local government jurisdictions to partner with the community will be key.

To help ensure a complete count, the City of Fremont has been partnering with the Alameda County Complete Count Committee to conduct outreach to hard-to-count populations, such as people with limited English proficiency and people with disabilities. City representatives have offered their ideas at census solutions workshops, provided meeting spaces like the Fremont Family Resource Center for outreach events, and worked to spread the word about the importance of Census 2020 to local organizations in Fremont. Before the Census begins counting in March 2020, Fremont will be coordinating Questionnaire Assistance Centers at local libraries and senior centers and co-hosting events where residents can learn more, ask questions, or receive help filling out Census 2020 forms.

To find out more about Census 2020 activities in Alameda County, visit <a href="www.acgov.org/census2020">www.acgov.org/census2020</a>, and for Census 2020 efforts in the City of Fremont, contact Management Analyst Amanda Gallo at agallo@fremont.gov or 510-284-4016.

## **Downtown** on the Rise

### **New Art Sculpture** in Downtown Fremont

Fremont is pleased to welcome a new visitor to Downtown, The Solacii! This sculpture, created by artist Tigre Bailando of Los Angeles, was recommended by the City's Art Review Board and approved by the City Council as part of the City's Rotational Public Art Program. This program is financed through private development fees in an effort to support the arts and create a sense of identity in Downtown.

The Solacii is located at the corner of Capitol Avenue and Fremont Boulevard. The 20-foot hollow sculpture is made of curving steel pipe and includes three faces and four arms welcoming those passing by. Artist Bailando states, "The Solacii is a mystical being that watches over the entire human experience, offering solace, hope, and inspiration." The sculpture includes an opening in its base for visitors to stand within the piece. According to Bailando, "The inner space serves as a sanctuary for people to gather, talk, and support each other."

Head downtown to experience The Solacii, which is currently on display until May 2021.





## City Plans **Downtown Event Center and Plaza Construction** Later this Year

In April 2018, the Fremont City Council approved the final design for Phase 1 of the Civic Center project. While future phases of the Civic Center project are on hold until funding can be identified, come fall, we anticipate that work will begin on Phase 1 to build a 13,400-squarefoot downtown event center (equivalent in size to three NBA/NCAA basketball courts) and 1-acre downtown plaza.

Currently, the City is preparing to receive construction proposals and anticipates that the City Council will award the contract in September 2019. The start date for construction is estimated to begin October 2019.

The modern downtown event center will have meeting rooms of varying scales and amenities along with a large spacious lobby, and will become downtown's primary destination for traditional community center functions such as business meetings, events and conferences, wedding receptions, anniversary parties, and more. The outdoor plaza will facilitate the programmatic needs of Fremont's culturally diverse and innovative community and feature an alley for food trucks, and a garden breakout space under a tree canopy which will allow outdoor activities including games/sports, concerts, maker fairs, and markets.

As part of an ongoing effort to drive sustainable development in Fremont, the project will also include roof-mounted solar panels, deep roof overhangs, and sunshades to protect the building from heat gain and reduce glare. And further squeezing carbon out of the power grid, it will be Fremont's first all-electric building without the use of onsite fossil fuel combustion, such as natural gas, for space and water heating.

This is a catalyst project within the Fremont Downtown and is essential to the social and economic health and civic pride of the community. For more information, please refer to the Fremont Downtown Community Plan at www.Fremont.gov/DowntownCommunityPlan.































# Fremont Unified School District

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# City of Fremont-FUSD School Transportation Safety Initiative Wins Recognition

A partnership between the City of Fremont and the Fremont Unified School District (FUSD) has resulted in improved safety at 40 of the District's school sites—and recognition from the nation's largest professional organization of urban planners.

Created in 2016, the joint effort involving a collaboration of Fremont's Public Works and Police Departments, along with FUSD principals, students, and parents, was created to provide school safety assessments of each District school. The assessments were then used to identify problem areas during school drop-off and pick-up times, as well as develop solutions to both increase safety and improve traffic flow.

Conditions at 20 FUSD schools were observed in 2017 with 20 more following in 2018. Recommendations were broken down into short- and long-term solutions with 2019 being dedicated to the implementation of short-term solutions such as signage, re-painting of crosswalks and loading



zones, as well as adjustments to intersections adjacent to schools. The most dramatic example of safety improvements has been to the intersection of Newport Drive and Delaware Drive in front of Grimmer Elementary School where turn lanes have been modified to assist incoming and outgoing traffic.

Items identified as short-term improvements will continue throughout 2019. Solutions designated as 'long-term', such as traffic lights and sidewalk modifications, will be subject to future funding. School sites will continue to be assessed on an informal

basis and any needed adjustments will be made accordingly. Each school site will also implement plans to remind families of improvements at the start of every new school year, as well as educate new families attending the school for the first time.

City of Fremont/FUSD's School Safety
Assessment Initiative was recognized
in the category of Transportation
Planning by the Northern California
Section of the American Planning
Association and is believed to be the
only mid-size city in California to create
a plan involving as large a number of
schools—encompassing 40 campuses.



# Environmental Services

## **Green Infrastructure Planning**

With the growing urbanization of the Bay Area, the dispersion of stormwater has become a critical environmental issue. Fremont is developing a Green Infrastructure Plan to show how the City will phase in additional green infrastructure facilities over the next 20 years. The City of Fremont's Plan will include projects that meet goals for improving water quality and reduce the impacts from increased stormwater flows created by urbanization.

#### **Healthy Communities -Healthy Bay**

Green infrastructure is a natural and environmentally sustainable approach to managing stormwater, by using specially-designed landscaped areas, pervious surfaces, and cisterns. While older "gray infrastructure" approaches to stormwater management use concrete and metal structures to move stormwater quickly away from streets and other impervious surfaces, green infrastructure allows



stormwater to infiltrate into native soils or filter through fast-draining engineered soils. These innovative designs remove pollutants and slow

runoff in urban and suburban environments to keep pollutants out of local creeks and the Bay

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## **Coastal Cleanup Day** Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 9 a.m. to Noon

California Coastal Cleanup Day is the world's largest volunteer event. Whether you're picking up trash at a sandy beach, by the Bay, or along a river, creek, or neighborhood flood control channel, volunteers like you can make a huge difference. Last year's amazing efforts resulted in 71,756 volunteers collecting a whopping 800,000 pounds of trash and recyclables. That's enough material to fill 40 Republic Services' garbage trucks!

Litter travels from our streets to storm drains and into creeks and rivers, eventually reaching the ocean. Participation in this event creates awareness of how street litter becomes a serious problem and helps reduce and prevent pollution everywhere by reminding everyone that picking up litter when we see it is the entire community's responsibility.

Come out for the 35th annual California Coastal Cleanup Day on Saturday, September 21. For more information and to register for the event, visit www.Fremont.gov/CoastalCleanupDay.



#### **California Coastal Cleanup Day September 21, 2019**

Join volunteers to participate in one of the largest volunteer events in California. Every year on the third Saturday in September, people from all around the state work together to remove litter and debris from our local waterways and fabulous coast. To reserve your spot, visit www.Fremont.gov/CoastalCleanupDay.





























# Environmental Services

## **Safely Dispose of Your Toxic Waste**

A typical home can contain an array of household hazardous products for maintaining our cars, cleaning and disinfecting our homes, painting the house, and helping our gardens grow. The health and safety of our families, neighborhoods, and environment is threatened when household hazardous waste is stored or disposed of improperly.

The chemical-based household products from a single home may seem insignificant; but when thousands of homes across Alameda County use similar products and handle, store, and dispose of them improperly, the combined effect becomes a major problem. Our communities and the environment are endangered when these products are discarded in household garbage or poured down a drain. Never dispose of hazardous waste in the garbage, sink, toilet, or storm drain.

Fremont residents can dispose of household toxics safely by using the Fremont Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Facility. Last year, over 16,000 households brought in over one million pounds of unwanted hazardous waste from their homes. Drop off is free and easy; the facility is open every week from Wednesday to Saturday.

Some unwanted items deserve a second chance. Be sure to visit the re-use area to find free recycled paints, cleaners, sealants, garden products, and more. The facility is located at the Fremont Recycling & Transfer Station at 41149 Boyce Road in Fremont. Call 800-606-6606 for more information. Some small businesses can also use the site. Businesses should call 510-670-6460 for more information. You can also visit <a href="https://www.household-hazwaste.org">www.household-hazwaste.org</a> to learn more.



#### **ACCEPTED ITEMS:**

- Aerosols
- Automotive Fluids
- Batteries
- Fluorescent Tubes/ Bulbs
- Household Chemicals/Cleaners
- Pharmaceuticals
- Sharps/Syringes/ Lancets/Needles

- Paints/Solvents/ Thinners
- Pesticides/ Herbicides/Fertilizers
- Pool Chemicals
- Mercury Thermometers
- Rat Poison/Pest Control Products

#### **SCHEDULE:**

Wednesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed for the following holidays: Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.

**LOCATION: 41149 Boyce Road, Fremont** 



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as well as providing
additional benefits to local
communities. Examples of
green infrastructure facilities
are available on the Alameda
Countywide Clean Water
Program website at
www.cleanwaterprogram.org/
index.php/programs/greeninfrastructure.html.

The green infrastructure planning process in the City

of Fremont will include:

- Updating local planning documents to incorporate green infrastructure requirements
- Adopting guidelines, standard specifications, and typical designs for green infrastructure
- Identifying opportunities to incorporate green infrastructure in public and private development

projects, including improvements of public roadways, storm drain infrastructure, and other public facilities

For more information about the City's local green infrastructure planning process, please contact the Environmental Services Division by email at <a href="mailto:environment@fremont.gov">environment@fremont.gov</a> or call 510-494-4570.



## New Residential Container Delivery Continues

Single-family homes began receiving new carts this spring and replacement will continue into the fall. The new cart colors meet state guidelines that standardize colors to inform the public about what can be discarded in each bin. This is an important step to replace many older carts that are faded, need repair, or reflect a confusing mix of colors. All of the new carts have pictures on the lid to identify what goes in each container.

Proper recycling is more important than ever before. Bottles, cans, jars, paper, and cardboard are acceptable items. Please don't put trash, food scraps, clothing, batteries, diapers, or garden hoses in your recycling bin. Keep it simple. Keep it clean. When in doubt, throw it in the trash. Check with the Fremont Environmental Services Division if you have general questions or want to know how to recycle properly. Visit www.Fremont.gov/Environment or call 510-494-4570.

## **How Can Fremont Become a Greener City?**



Since the adoption of the City's first Climate Action Plan in 2012, the City has implemented a number of municipal and public-facing projects, programs, and policies that have resulted in significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and earned Fremont regional recognition as a sustainability leader. Fremont is now working to update its Climate Action Plan to align with the new 2045 carbon neutrality goal recently established by the Fremont City Council in February 2019.

The City wants your help to identify actions that will make our community a cleaner and healthier place for everyone. Strategies for achieving these goals can include transitioning to renewable and fossil-free energy in buildings and vehicles, enhancing sustainable transit and travel options, reducing waste and

pollution, incorporating green building design, restoring natural habitats, drawing down carbon dioxide from the atmosphere through plants and trees, and increasing our resilience to climate change.

Tell us what is important to you! By taking our community survey, you can play an active role in helping design what a healthy and sustainable Fremont community could look like in the years to come. Visit www.Fremont.gov/OpenCityHallClimate to share your thoughts!





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